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SUBJECT: OAU ETHIOPIA/SOMALIA GOOD OFFICERS COMMITTEE MEETS ONCE  
AGAIN WITHOUT POSITIVE RESULTS

REF: KHARTOUM 3215

SUMMARY: OAU GOOD OFFICES COMMITTEE ON THIO-SOMALIA  
DISPUTE MET MORNING JULY 17. BOTH SIDES REPORTED THEIR  
NON-NEGOTIABLE DEMANDS, WITH VERY LITTLE VARIATION ON PAST  
THEMES. MEETING APPEARED TO ACHIEVE NOTHING EXCEPT OAU  
BUREAUCRATIC REQUIREMENT FOR REPORT ON "PROGRESS" OF  
MEDIATION EFFORTS TO BE PRESENTED AT SUMMIT. SOMALIA HAS  
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ADDED ONE NEW WRINKLE, AN INTERNATIONALLY SUPERVISED  
REFERENDUM FOR SELF-DETERMINATION OF PEOPLE IN OGADEN,  
WHICH AMOUNTS TO INTERFERENCE IN ETHIOPIA'S INTERNAL  
AFFAIRS. ETHIOPIA'S ADHERENCE TO OAU CHARTER PRINCIPLES  
AND SOMALIA'S EFFORTS TO CIRCUMVENT THEM, HAS ISOLATED  
THE LATTER AND GENERATED SUPPORT FOR FORMER MAONG OAU  
DELEGATIONS. END SUMMARY

1. SOMALI DIPLOMATIC SOURCE STATED THAT HIS DELEGATION HAD SUBMITTED FOUR CONDITIONS WHICH NEEDED TO BE FULFILLED FOR PEACE TO BE ACHIEVED IN ETHIOPIA/SOMALIA/OGADEN DISPUTE. THESE ARE:

(A) WITHDRAWAL OF ALL FOREIGN TROOPS FROM DISPUTED AREA.

(B) CESSATION OF ETHIOPIAN AIR RAIDS AND LAND ATTACKS INTO SOMALIA. (SOMALI DELEGATE CLAIMED ETHIOPIA CREATING PROVOCATION AND USING EXCUSE THAT SOMALIA IS HELPING WESTERN SOMALI LIBERATION FRONT (WSLF), TO JUSTIFY RESUMPTION OF FULL-SCALE WAR. HOWEVER, SOMALIA IS ONLY PROVIDING "MORAL AND HUMANISTIC" SUPPORT TO WSLF, ACCORDING TO DELEGATE.)

(C) CESSATION BY ETHIOPIA OF MASSIVE AND WANTON DESTRUCTION OF LIFE AND PROPERTY, WHICH IS CREATING REFUGEE PROBLEM IN AREA.

(D) RIGHT OF SELF-DETERMINATION BE GIVEN TO PEOPLE IN AREA (OGADEN) THROUGH INTERNATIONALLY SUPERVISED REFERENDUM, RESULTS OF WHICH SOMALIA PLEDGES TO RESPECT, EVEN IF IT IS FAVORABLE TO ETHIOPIA.

2. SOMALI DIPLOMAT SAID ETHIOPIA SUBMITTED THREE PROPOSALS ON ITS BEHALF. THESE ARE:

(A) ABANDONMENT BY SOMALIA OF ALL TERRITORIAL CLAIMS ON ETHIOPIA TERRITORY.

(B) CESSATION OF SOMALI INTERFERENCE IN ETHIOPIA'S LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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INTERNAL AFFAIRS.

(C) SOMALI PAYMENT OF COMPENSATION FOR ALL DAMAGES RESULTING FROM OGADEN WAR.

3. COMMENT: GOOD OFFICES COMMITTEE REPORT IS BEING DRAFTED FOR PRESENTATION TO SUMMIT AND IT NOT YET KNOWN IF IT WILL INCLUDE ANY RECOMMENDATIONS FOR HEADS OF STATE. IT MOST LIKELY THAT REPORT WILL BE COMPENDIUM OF OAU EFFORTS TO RESOLVE ETHIOPIA/SOMALIA CONFLICT, URGING BOTH SIDES TO RESPECT PRINCIPLES OF OAU CHARTER, NAMELY RESPECT FOR TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY. TWO SIDES REMAIN AS UNCOMPROMISINGLY FAR APART AS BEFORE. BERGIS. UNQUOTE CHRISTOPHER

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